

481—50.8(22,135B,135C) Records. The division collects and stores a variety of records in the course of licensing and inspecting hospitals and health care facilities, as described in 481—Chapter 5. The records contain both public and confidential information.

50.8(1) *Public information.* The following are general categories of public information:

a. The department's final findings or the final findings of an accreditation organization with respect to compliance by a hospital or health care facility with requirements for licensing or accreditation, including any plan of correction;

b. Applications for licensing or certification, accompanying materials, and status of any application;

c. Reports from the state fire marshal;

d. Information regarding complaints, unless otherwise confidential pursuant to subrule 50.8(2) or Iowa Code section 22.7;

e. Waiver requests and responses;

f. Official notices of licensing or certification sanctions.

50.8(2) *Confidential information.* The following are general categories of confidential information:

a. Information that does not comprise a final report resulting from a survey, investigation, or entity-reported incident investigation, except as set forth in Iowa Code section 135B.12 or 135C.19(1);

b. Names of complainants;

c. Names of patients or residents and any identifying medical information;

d. The address of anyone other than an owner.

50.8(3) *Redaction of confidential information.* If a record normally open for inspection contains confidential information, the confidential information shall be redacted before the records are provided for inspection.

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